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The Mercury, in commenting on Mr. Hohman's announcement of his candidacy for the nomination of treasurer on the republican ticket does an estimable gentleman an injustice in asserting that he has always been a republican. He was a democrat up to the campaign of '96.

Cy Leland, in his effort to express his contempt for the President's Philippine commission, says: "Even a committee of Christian Endeavorers could do more good." What do you suppose this society has been doing to him that he should hold them up to public ridicule in this manner.

Cy Lelandism has fallen into evil repute. The recent sale of the Topeka Capital to his enemies is one of the straws showing the way the tide sets. When the power of the "boss" was undisputed all bowed before him, but now! Why even the p. o. corner dare bark at his shadow when the substance is well out of hearing.

Before Stanley assumed the roll of governor he assured the people that he proposed to attend to state business as he did his own and that as regularly as the sun traveled its daily course he would be found at his desk laboring in the states interest. It is amusing to note in this connection that about the only mention we see of him now days is that he has accepted the courtesy of some railway magnate and gone on a vacation. Possibly he figures that he is working in the interests of the people by keeping on the good side of the railroad people.

The editor of the Mercury waxes facetious over the fact that we decline to submit a plan for suppressing trusts and seems to wish his readers to believe that this constitutes a good argument to prove that the only relief to be had is to hands off and let the republican party run things without check to perdition.

Perhaps we were not born modest but the experience of the Mercury's editor in formulating party policies prior to the party conventions has taught us a lesson, as, no doubt it has the editor of that paper. It will be remembered that when free silver talk first began to be heard, the editor of the p. o. corner organ was one of the first and loudest champions of the white metal. After a time the national convention assembled and declared in favor of a yellow currency. Did the aforesaid editor stand to his guns? Not much. He performed the greatest acrobatic feat of his life, turned a double summersault backwards, turned squarely around on his record, swallowed all of his previous utterances and emerged a fullfledged advocate of the gold standard. We will wait a little.

From Manila.
The following letter from Will Foran will interest many of our readers, as he is well known in this county, where he resided for many years. He enlisted in the hospital corps last spring and was sent to Manila at once:
MANILA, P. I., May 28, 1899.

Dear Sister:
Everybody who comes from Kansas to this place writes back a tale of woe, so I will give you a change and tell you what a fine time I am having. I wrote to you last from Honolulu.

We had a fine trip here. Eighteen days' run. Reached Manila on the 18th inst. We were in the town a week, and as we were not on duty I had ample time to take in the town. I was out on the firing line one day with the Twentieth Regulars, but business was dull that day. I haven't seen many of the Twentieth Kansas yet, only a few sick ones. I met a fellow from Jetmore last night, but I only spoke to him a few minutes. I think he said his name was Hottle, or Hopple. The Twentieth is the big guns here. I thought when I was in Kansas that perhaps our own papers over-drew the thing in favor of the boys, but out here men from the state regiments concede that the Kan-

sas men have done more work than any other regiment here. But there is one thing that the papers don't seem to be able to see, and that is the bravery of the Filipino. They seem to think that because they never stand before American troops they must be lacking in courage, but I think that men who have suffered the losses that they have and still come back after more must have sand. I was quartered in the first reserve hospital in the city, and there were over 200 wounded natives there. They were the most cheerful fellows you ever saw. Some of them would come in and have a leg cut off one day and two days after they would be hopping around on a crutch. Manila is full of sick and wounded men. Most of these are caused by exposure in trenches. The men who have been in Manila have good health. I believe that it is far healthier here than in Cuba if one can take care of one's self. Of course it is impossible to do this on the line.

But I haven't told you what I am doing. Well, I have the softest snap in the Philippines. I am on duty now at a convalescent hospital on Corregidor Island. This place is a little island twenty-five miles from Manila, just at the mouth of Manila bay. It is about five miles long and shaped like an hour glass. Right at the narrow neck is a little cove. Here is the hospital and a native village. The island is about a quarter of a mile wide here. My tent is back of the hospital, on a ridge, where I have a grand view of the Pacific on one side and the bay on the other. The roar of the surf lulls me to sleep every night, while a cool breeze fans one's cheeks like a kiss from heaven. Then the sea bathing! Such a long stretch of beach and breakers big as a house! There isn't a mosquito on the island. In fact I have often spent a summer at Long Branch or Atlantic City (?) and not had half the real unalloyed enjoyment that I have here. I would not take \$500 for my trip so far. I forgot to tell you how good we live here. We get our meat mostly from Australia, and they haven't learned the art of embalming yet. You must not think from what a soft thing I have that I am discrediting the stories of hardships at the front, for I know that it is tough out there; and I don't think that the end is near in sight yet. We will be here for at least six months. The only objection that I have to this place is that it is so lonesome. It is a good place to save money, especially in my case. I have not been paid since last winter and won't be paid for six weeks yet.

Well, I don't think I know anything to write except what you see in the paper. I am feeling well and am fatter than ever.

Your affectionate brother,
WILL.

DEATH OF WILLIAM CARROLL.

Resolutions of Respect Adopted on the Firing Line.
The following letter and resolutions have been received by Mr. Thomas Carroll, of Fellsburg:
SAN FERNANDO, P. I., June 1, 1899.
Mr. Thomas Carroll, Fellsburg, Kan.:
My Dear Sir—Inclosed please find resolutions of respect and condolence adopted by my company on the firing line at this place on the evening of May 30, 1899, at retreat. It was impossible for us to get to Manila to decorate the graves of our beloved comrades who have "crossed the divide," and this is all we can do now for those we mourn.

Your son, William Carroll, was as good a soldier as I had in my company, always doing his duty. As soon as I can get into Manila I will invoice his personal effects and send them and a full statement of his accounts with the government.

William was at my side, not ten feet from me, when he was killed. He was killed instantly, the ball passing through his head.
With kindest regards for you I

your bereavement. I am, very respectfully,
H. B. ORWIG, Captain,
20th Kansas Infantry Volunteers.
RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

ON THE FIRING LINE AT SAN FERNANDO, P. I., May 30, '99.
The following resolutions of respect were adopted at retreat May 30, 1899:
WHEREAS, The Supreme Ruler of the Universe has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved comrades Larry Jones, Troy E. Fairchild, and William Carroll; and
WHEREAS, They passed beyond this vale of sorrow and this realm of tears while nobly fighting under the greatest flag and for the grandest cause on earth, the flag of the free and the cause of humanity, they have done their whole duty; and
WHEREAS, We deeply mourn their loss and sympathize with their bereaved friends and relatives; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Company D, Twentieth Kansas Infantry, United States Volunteers, on this memorial day set aside for the purpose of decorating soldiers' graves and for the purpose of commemorating their glorious deeds, adopt these resolutions as a slight token of our respect and esteem for our brave comrades who have so nobly fallen and who fill such illustrious graves; and be it further

Resolved, That at the earliest possible moment we perform the usual rites of decorating their graves and fulfill such other sacred duties as are due their memory; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to their friends and relatives in this their great bereavement; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to each of their parents and to the local papers of Crawford county, Kansas.

CHARLES M. BUCHANAN.
O. W. PINGREY,

Announcement.
The Normal Institute will convene at the Kinsley High School building, Monday, July 31st, for a four weeks' session. Indications point to a good attendance.

The county common school graduation exercises will be held Friday evening, August 11. This is the first effort that has been made to hold exercises of this kind in our county, and it is hoped that teachers and all persons interested in education will encourage common school graduation by helping to make this first attempt a success. In a large number of counties in the state these exercises have become a regular annual event and have been of much benefit in stimulating interest and increasing the efficiency of the district schools. Edwards county should not be behind in educational progress.

During the third week a lecture will be delivered by Dr. John P. John, ex-president of De Pauw university. Dr. John is one of the ablest speakers before the public today. His arguments are strong and his logic excellent. Intellectual in appearance and eloquent and impressive in his manner of delivery, he never fails to make a profound impression on his auditors. This lecture will be free to all regularly enrolled normal students.

L. R. CLARK,
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